



Norfolk State University Hazing Agreement & Virginia Hazing Law

Hazing in any form is illegal within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any individual or organization participating in any hazing-related activities will be referred to the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities. If found responsible for hazing, individuals and/or organizations may be subject to criminal prosecution.

Hazing includes, but is not limited to, the following examples:

- Calisthenics or any physical activity that is not normally a part of the initiate's or member's daily routine (i.e. sit-ups and push-ups)
- Wearing or carrying of items (i.e. paddles or bricks)
- Pushing, shoving, tackling or any other non-friendly contact
- The presence of and forcing alcoholic beverages on an initiate or member
- Line-ups including names and numbers
- Road trips or kidnapping of initiates or members
- Personal errands run by initiates or members for the active members (servitude);
- Assigning "pranks" such as stealing, painting objects, panty raids, harassing another organization
- Sleep deprivation
- Requiring any lewd, lascivious or otherwise indecent acts

Virginia Hazing Law

18.2-56.1 Hazing unlawful; civil and criminal liability; duty of school, etc., officials

It shall be unlawful to haze, or otherwise mistreat so as to cause bodily injury, any student at any school, college, or university.

Any person found guilty thereof shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor, unless the injury would be such as to constitute a felony, and in that event the punishment shall be inflicted as is otherwise provided by law for the punishment of such felony.

Any person receiving bodily injury by hazing or mistreatment shall have a right to sue, civilly, the person or persons guilty thereof, whether adults or infants.

The president, or other presiding official of any school, college or university, receiving appropriations from the state treasury shall, upon satisfactory proof of the guilt of any student found guilty of hazing or mistreating another student so as to cause bodily injury, expel such student so found guilty, and shall make report thereof to the attorney for the Commonwealth of the county or city in which such school, college or university is, who shall present the same to the grand jury of such city or county convened next after such report is made to him.

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Chapter Member Acknowledgement & Agreement

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